

To: Nordgren, Judith[Judith_Nordgren@americanchemistry.com]
From: Courtnage, Robert
Sent: Fri 6/30/2017 12:30:07 PM
Subject: RE: Question regarding gaskets

Hi Judith- My family and I are looking forward to hosting several families for a nice backyard event. I hope you enjoy the holiday as well.

As far gaskets, we do mention them in the scope. See page 23.

Sheet Gaskets

During the public comment period, one chemical production company notified EPA of the current use of imported gaskets from China (Comment ID EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0736-0067).

These sheet gaskets are composed of 80% (minimum) chrysotile asbestos, encapsulated in Styrene Butadiene Rubber, and used to create tight chemical containment seals during the production of titanium dioxide.

I will definitely take you up on the offer for more info, one initial question I have is if there is any additional fabrication of the sheet gaskets in the United States, meaning does Chemours, or someone else in the supply chain, further fabricate the gaskets from a sheet that it receives from China, or are the products they use already fabricated and the gasket directly installed without further fabrication?

Best,

-Robert

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-----Original Message-----

From: Nordgren, Judith [mailto:Judith_Nordgren@americanchemistry.com]
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Dear Robert,

I hope you're doing well and preparing for a long Independence Day weekend. Unfortunately, by the time I learned we have both Monday and Tuesday off the airfare to Louisiana was cost-prohibitive.

Question, Chemours, a Chlorine Chemistry Division's Associate Member, submitted comments to the docket addressing gaskets containing chrysotile asbestos. Chemours uses such gaskets for their high-temperature performance qualities.

The June 22 Scope of the Risk Evaluation for Asbestos did not include any gasket reference information. Is that product category part of your portfolio and if so, do you or your team need additional information? I'd be happy to facilitate introductions, meetings and/or fill any information/data gaps. Just let me know.

Thanks a million,

Judith

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